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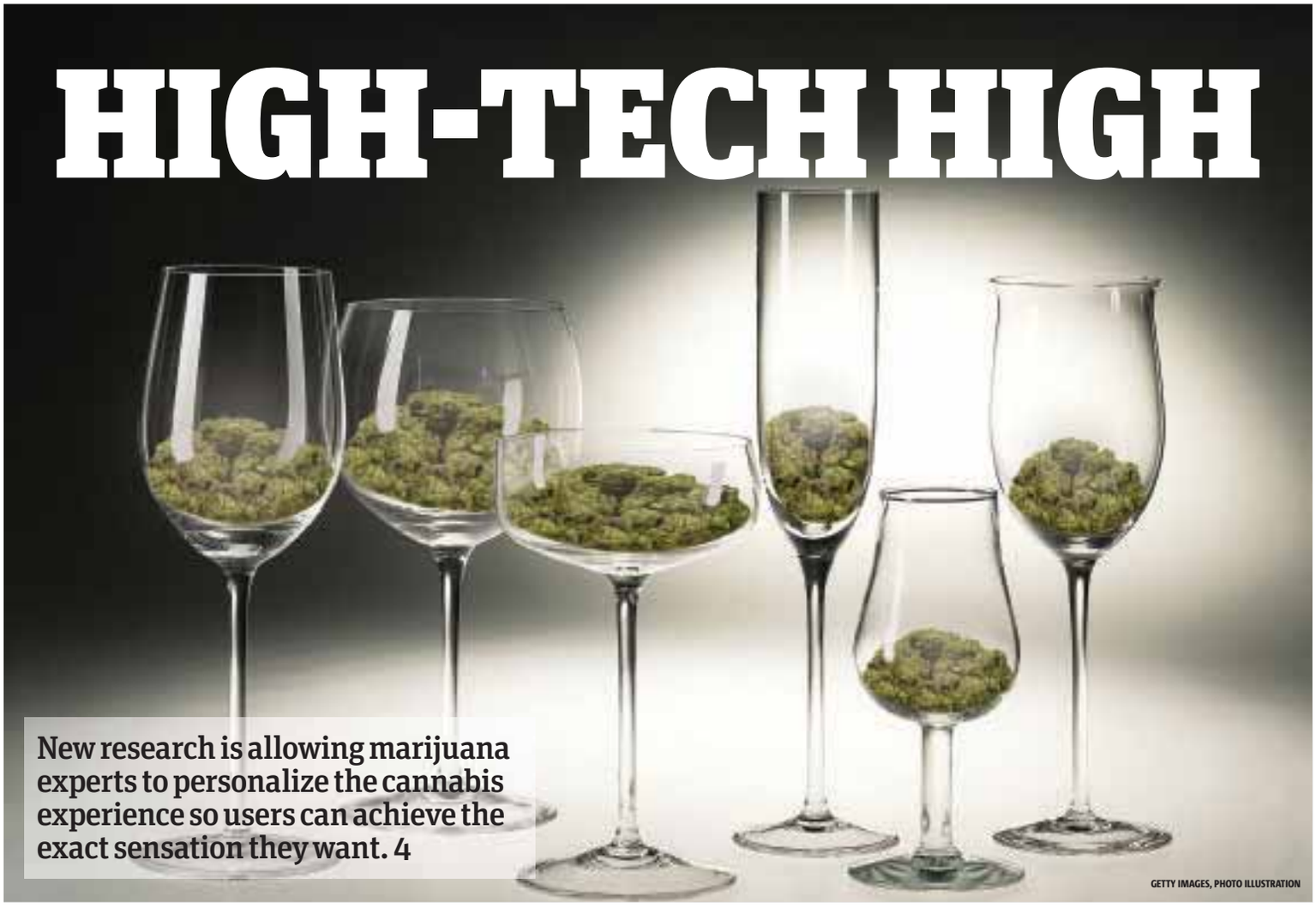

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It's probably difficult for New York Jets fans to really get into the 2017 NFL season considering they are expected to be the worst team in the league. Well, Gang Green followed the script in Week 2 as they were thoroughly beaten by the Raiders in Oakland, dropping both New York City-area teams to 0-3 this season. The Giants have a chance to grab a win on Monday night when they host the Detroit Lions at MetLife Stadium."

UN HAS EXHAUSTED OPTIONS ON N. KOREA

U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Nikki Haley said the U.N. Security Council has run out of options on containing North Korea's nuclear program and the United States may have to turn the matter over to the Pentagon. "We have pretty much exhausted all the things that we can do at the Security Council at this point," Haley told CNN's "State of the Union," adding that she was perfectly happy to hand the North Korea problem over to Defense Secretary James Mattis. As world leaders head to the United Nations headquarters in New York for the annual General Assembly meeting this week, Haley's comments indicated the United States was not backing down from its threat of military action against North Korea. North Korea launched a missile over Japan into the Pacific Ocean on Thursday in defiance of new U.N. Security Council sanctions.

HURRICANE JOSE STAYING OFF EAST COAST

Hurricane Jose is expected to pass east of the North Carolina coast on Monday and remain off the U.S. East Coast from Virginia to New England, while Tropical Storm Maria formed and is forecast to become a hurricane early next week, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said. Maria could threaten several Caribbean islands, some of which were devastated by Hurricane Irma less than two weeks ago. It is expected to approach the Leeward Islands on Monday and become a hurricane around that time, the NHC said. A hurricane watch is in effect for Antigua, Barbuda, St. Kitts, Nevis and Montserrat and France has also issued a hurricane watch for the island of Guadeloupe. A hurricane watch is typically issued 48 hours before the first occurrence of storm-force winds, NHC said.

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

3 'REAWAKEN' OCCUPY

On Sunday afternoon, about 50 people gathered in Zuccotti Park in lower Manhattan to "reawaken" the Occupy Wall Street movement. A small police presence of around 15 officers kept watch on the collection of protesters, which included a woman in a costume of money and a man dressed as Donald Trump with a golf club, hitting planet Earth from a tee.

JASON NUCKOLLS

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4 THIRD DAY OF ST. LOUIS PROTESTS BEGAN SUNDAY

A third day of protests started in St. Louis on Sunday after violent clashes between police and demonstrators the previous two nights over the acquittal of a white former police officer in the 2011 fatal shooting of a black man. About 500 protesters assembled before a barricaded police station in St. Louis in the latest of a series of demonstrations that evoked memories of the riots following the 2014 shooting of a black teenager by a white officer in nearby Ferguson. An informal group of St. Louis-based activists known as the Ferguson frontline has organized the protests, focusing on what it describes as institutional racism that has allowed police officers to be cleared of criminal wrongdoing in a number of shootings of unarmed black men.

5 GLOBAL DEBT MAY BE OFF BY $13 TRILLION

Global debt may be underreported by around $13 trillion because traditional accounting practices exclude foreign exchange derivatives used to hedge international trade and foreign currency bonds, the BIS said on Sunday. Bank for International Settlements researchers said it was hard to assess the risk this "missing" debt poses, but that the main worry was a liquidity crunch like the one that seized FX swap and forwards markets during the financial crisis. The $13 trillion unaccounted-for exposure exceeds the on-balance-sheet debt of $10.7 trillion that data shows was owed by firms and governments outside the United States at end-March. The fact these FX derivatives do not appear on financial and non-financial institutions' balance sheets under current accounting rules means little is known about where the debt lies.

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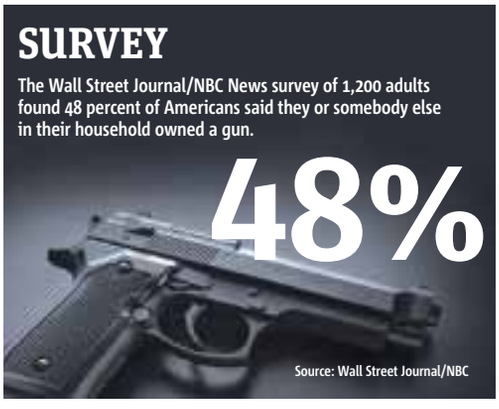

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Terpenes are the cutting-edge frontier of curated cannabis experience, pot experts claim

Those in the marijuana industry add flavors, aromas and effects to weed with the help of terpenes.

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For the marijuana novice, weed is just weed. But for the cannabis connoisseur, there's a whole world of flavors, scents and effects — and it goes beyond just different types of strains.

The next frontier of curating a cannabis experience, experts say, lies not in a strain of the plant — the Sour Diesels and Pineapple Kushes that your dispensary will surely have on its menu — but in harnessing the terpenes within cannabis.

"Terpenes are essential oils found in different botanicals and plant matter. They're why lemon has that citrusy smell, why pine needles smell like pine," said Seth Yaffe, operations manager at Ermont Inc., a nonprofit medical marijuana dispensary in Quincy, Mass.

Terpenes are mostly known for giving plants their unique aroma, which is why there are essential oils of lavender and eucalyptus. But when they work in conjunction with cannabinoids like THC and CBD, "it's an entourage effect," Yaffe said, meaning terpenes can actually change or heighten the therapeutic effects of marijuana.

To take advantage of terpenes, many labs isolate them when they process the cannabis into a concentrate.

"Most people processing for THC strip out the terpenes and other minor cannabinoids to get to a clear product," explained Norman Olson of High Tech Extracts in Maine. "Then to get flavor and aroma, you add the terpenes back. That's the sommelier art of it."

Speaking of wine, Yaffe actually worked in the restaurant industry for 25 years, where he wrote wine lists. He's seen how people can smell a certain strain and know right away what it is, "just like a sommelier would be able to blind-smell wine."

But with terpenes, his role goes above and beyond suggesting flavors and scents someone might like. It's about the kind of high these terpenes bring with them, too.

"It might be the same level of cannabis, but by adding in different blends of terpenes, we're able to promote specific effects … like promoting more relaxing sleep," Yaffe said. "The four major effects of the line we carry are concentration, helping sleep, anti-anxiety and the ability to have more energy."

This is the customization that is taking over the business side of cannabis, Yaffe said. People aren't necessarily looking just for certain strains anymore, but for a curated high, and terpenes help achieve that.

Still, terpenes are "new to the game" in terms of what we know, Yaffe said. Though there hasn't been a lot of scientific research around cannabis and all its components yet, experts in the industry hope that with its acceptance — like the legalization in Massachusetts — comes more knowledge about it.

"Regardless of medical or recreational, a tremendous amount of people are cannabis users that are really looking for an effect," he said. "It's the importance of those terpenes and how we understand them, how we move forward with science to be able to manipulate and safely add them, that will allow for the creation of new products."

The marijuana industry is exploring ways to curate users' experiences. GETTY IMAGES

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As Trump visits UN, New York City prepares for 'Super Bowl' of security

New York police and a host of federal agencies are preparing for the annual traffic and security nightmare known as the United Nations General Assembly, featuring a week of speeches by President Donald Trump and a parade of other dignitaries.

The meeting of the world's top leaders and diplomats, scheduled to begin on Tuesday, will bring street closures, thousands of police officers and hundreds of protesters to midtown Manhattan, an area already plagued with gridlock on an average weekday.

Cement blocks placed by the NYPD outside the UN General Assembly. GETTY IMAGES

"It's the equivalent of the Super Bowl of security," said J. Peter Donald, a spokesman for the New York City Police Department.

It was not immediately clear whether Trump would stay at his Manhattan penthouse about a mile away from United Nations headquarters or sleep at his golf course in Bedminster, New Jersey.

The event also comes just days after a homemade bomb on a packed commuter train in London injured 22 people, though it failed to fully explode.

A handful of anti-Trump protests in New York have been scheduled, with more sure to come. A march on Monday to combat "white supremacy" will start from Grand Central Terminal, while the left-wing activist group Code Pink has organized a Tuesday march to the U.N. to protest Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Other protesters will gather outside the U.N. to call out specific countries, including a rally against Iran President Hassan Rouhani.

The NYPD's elite counterterrorism unit, along with detectives from the intelligence bureau and officers from the aviation, harbor, highway and traffic units, will be on hand throughout the week. Donald said the department has plenty of "muscle memory" from previous years.

"It's a full assortment of personnel from nearly every part of the police department," Donald said. "We'll be prepared for anything. We'll have backup plans and backup plans for the backup plans."

The Secret Service, the FBI, the Department of Homeland Security and various other federal agencies are also involved in providing security during both Trump's visit and the general assembly.

Vast swaths of the area near the United Nations, on the far east side of midtown Manhattan, will be closed to vehicle traffic, and the Coast Guard will heavily restrict boat traffic on the East River.

Police did not immediately offer an estimate on how much the week's security and traffic measures would cost.

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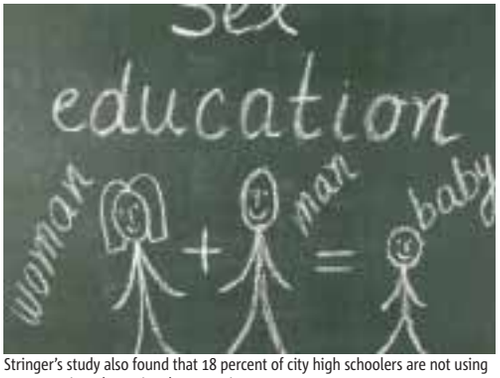

Stringer's study also found that 18 percent of city high schoolers are not using contraception; the national average is 14 percent. ISTOCK

New York City lags in sex education: Report

Just 57 percent of eighth graders get the state-mandated semester of health, a study by Comptroller Scott Stringer found.

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New York is a city where anything goes, but according to a new report from Comptroller Scott Stringer, sex education is not one of them.

"Healthy Relationships: A Plan for Improving Health and Sexual Education in New York City Schools" found that 57 percent of city middle school students receive the state-mandated semester of health education.

Additionally, 28 percent of all middle schools, which serve grades 6 to 8, do not have an assigned health instructor, and just 7.6 percent of health teachers took part in a professional development program related to sex education within the past two years.

"We did this report to elevate the conversation about a topic that is serious and, I believe, crucial for our students — and we hope to see the needle move in the right direction in the future," Stringer said.

The report is alarming as the number of sexually transmitted diseases among teens increased between 2015 and 2016, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In fact, people between the ages of 15 and 24 have the highest rates of chlamydia and gonorrhea.

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To combat this, Stringer is urging the Department of Education to create a "Chancellor's Regulation that guarantees sexual health education for all middle and high school students," he said. "It's commonsense, it should be codified in the rules, and it should be considered part of a standard classroom education for all — not a luxury for a few."

The Lavelle School for the Blind in the Bronx, however, is among the schools that not only offers sexual education, but debunks misconceptions that students with disabilities do not need such education or do not have the same sexual desires as non-disabled students.

"We see first-hand the significant role sex education plays in providing a safe and constructive environment for students," Assistant Principal Deni Fraser told Metro. "Because this can sometimes be a sensitive and even taboo topic when working with a special-needs population, it may be more effective when the content is taught without even having to use the title 'Sex Education Class.'"

Lavelle School holds discussions about sexuality, dating, appropriate social behaviors, safety and more, Fraser said, adding, "By exposing students with disabilities to information on sex ed that is developmentally appropriate, we are supporting them in life outside of school and enabling them to become more included, recognized and accepted in our society."

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All four victims were hospitalized, two having suffered shock and one having a potential eye injury. No information was available at press time as to where in the U.S. the tourists are from.

Limited information on the attack has been provided to the media by the Marseille prosecutor's office; however, the incident was not being treated as a terrorist act. AMY RUSSO

Saint Charles train station in Marseille, France. TRANS WORLD PRODUCTIONS VIA FLICKR

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SECRETARY OF 'CAN I HAVE YOUR JOB NOW?'

U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley with Sen. Lindsey Graham (far right) and other lawmakers. GETTY IMAGES

Expect the president to send a signal on Ambassador Nikki Haley's future when he takes a break from his juvenile GIFs.

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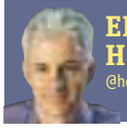

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World leaders are descending on the United Nations this week, and you know what that means: Manhattan traffic will be even more nightmarish than usual. Restaurant reservations will be impossible in Midtown — except at 5:15 or 11:30 p.m.

And U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley will show everyone that her brief internship is over and she's more than ready to be secretary of state. Rex Tillerson may have the title. But Haley definitely has the elbows, and she seems to have the juice with Donald Trump.

The only lingering question: Which man will get sick of the other sooner, Tillerson or Trump?

Expect the president to send a signal on Haley's future just as soon as he takes a break from his juvenile GIFs. His latest retweet comes via Mike @fuctupmind: "Donald Trump's amazing golf swing" smacks a ball into #CrookedHillary Clinton and knocks her to the ground. Yes, instead of preparing for his first speech to the 193 member nations of the General Assembly on Tuesday, the president of the United States spent the weekend sharing a violent video about a former rival, which he seemed to find hilarious.

Haley is the former governor of South Carolina. She is also one of the most ambitious members of Trump's administration. She was interviewed by him for the secretary of state job but told Trump she didn't think she had enough experience. The U.N. gig would be her foreign-policy internship.

That left secretary of state to Tillerson, the retired chairman of Exxon Mobile, who has spent his time at Foggy Bottom hardly doing the job at all.

Proposing devastating State Department budget cuts. Leaving key positions unfilled. Pursuing a vision of U.S. power abroad that can easily be summed up in two words: "orderly shutdown." He's also failed to bond with Donald Trump.

That last one's a killer.

Asked on Sunday whether she's now ready to fill Tillerson's shoes, Haley gave the political answer. "Secretary Tillerson continues to work hard," she told Dana Bash on CNN. "He's not going anywhere. I continue to work well with him."

But really, how long is an internship supposed to last?

Metro columnist Ellis Henican is the best-selling author of a dozen books including the upcoming "Trumpitude: The Secret Confessions of Donald's Brain." He is on Twitter @henican.

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Osteoarthritis is a joint disease that mostly affects the cartilage. Cartilages the tissue that covers the ends on bones in a joint. When healthy, cartilage allows bones to glide smoothly over one another and acts as a shock absorber. Your“ normal” knee also contains a small amount of fluid called synovial fluid. This synovial fluid is a thick, gel-like solution that cushions and lubricates the joint–much like oil lubricates the engine of your car.

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Who Should Consider Viscosupplementation... Where Can You Get It And...When Should You Start?

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Very Important – Do Not Wait - Here’s Why …

Studies indicate that if the arthritis is caught soon enough, the cushioning effect of the treatments c may be able to help the knee heal and possibly, slow the arthritis thus help avoid joint replacement surgery. In other words, the sooner you start – the better. Does the procedure hurt? A local anesthetic is given to numb the area and the procedure is virtually painless. Most patients say it feels like nothing more than a slight“pinching” sensation… that’s it.

Why Treatments At *NYC Pain MD* Are So Extremely Precise

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How To Check Out This Breakthrough Treatment And See It Is Right For You For FREE

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Here’s How To Get A Free Screening at *NYC Pain MD*

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Tillerson says US weighing closing embassy in Cuba over recent sonic attacks

The United States is considering closing its embassy in Havana in response to an alleged sonic attack on U.S. personnel in Cuba, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said on Sunday.

"We have it under evaluation," Tillerson said on CBS' "Face the Nation" program. "It's a very serious issue with respect to the harm that certain individuals have suffered."

Five Republican senators on Friday called for the Trump administration to retaliate against the Cuban government by expelling Cuban diplomats and possibly shuttering the U.S. embassy there over attacks that began in late 2016.

The State Department said in August that Americans linked to the U.S. embassy in Havana had experienced physical symptoms from "incidents" involving sound waves. Five Canadians were also affected.

Symptoms included nausea, dizziness and temporary loss of hearing or memory.

Cuba, the United States and Canada have investigated the attacks, but the probe has not yielded any answers about how they were carried out or who was responsible for them.

Cuba has denied involvement. The U.S. State Department has not blamed Havana for the attacks but asked two Cuban diplomats to leave Washington in May. REUTERS

Tillerson speaks at the U.S.-Saudi Arabia CEO Summit on April 19, 2017. GETTY IMAGES

PARIS ACCORD

US could stay in Paris climate accord, Tillerson says

The United States could remain in the Paris climate accord under the right conditions, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said on Sunday, signaling a shift in tone from the Trump administration, which angered allies with its decision to pull out of the agreement.

President Donald Trump is willing to work with partners in the Paris agreement if the United States could construct a set of terms that are fair and balanced for Americans, Tillerson said on the CBS' "Face the Nation."

Asked if there was a chance the United States could stay in the accord, Tillerson responded, "I think under the right conditions."

"The president said he is open to finding those conditions where we can remain engaged with others on what we all agree is still a challenging issue," Tillerson said.

Trump's national security adviser, H.R. McMaster, struck a similar tone in television interviews on Sunday in which he said Trump had always been willing to consider changes on the climate pact.

"He left the door open to re-entering at some later time if there can be a better deal for the United States," McMaster said on ABC's "This Week" program. "If there's an agreement that benefits the American people, certainly."

The accord, reached by nearly 200 countries in 2015, was meant to limit global warming to 2 degrees or less by 2100, mainly through pledges to cut carbon dioxide and other emissions from the burning of fossil fuels. REUTERS

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Bill Clinton at the Oceana New York Gala on Sept. 13, 2017. GETTY IMAGES

Bill Clinton presents innovators with $1 million for refugee lives

Contestants for the Hult Prize came from universities around the globe, gathering for the end of the yearlong competition.

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A team of four young Pakistani-American innovators has a solution for the refugee crisis, and former President Bill Clinton thinks so, too.

On Saturday night, Clinton presented Rutgers University's Hasan Usmani, Hanaa Lakhani, Moneed Mian and Gia Farooqi with $1 million in funding from the Hult Prize Foundation, a nonprofit dedicated to humanitarian initiatives.

The award was given at U.N. headquarters, where contestants from universities around the globe gathered for the end of the year-long competition.

The challenge, which was issued by Clinton, tasked competitors with finding a plan to address the world's refugees, restoring the human dignity and rights to millions of displaced people by 2022.

The winning startup, Roshni Rides, will bring a transportation network to Pakistan, focused on ride-sharing and convenient payment of a fixed price using a preloaded card.

Farooqi, the company's CEO, said the team will begin working immediately after relocating. "This team is dedicated to making an impact in the transportation industry in Pakistan, and help the lives of refugees living in informal settlements," she said. "We will start in Orangi Town, Pakistan, where we will execute a solution that cuts transportation costs in half."

While the team members have much work to do, Farooqi said they're both excited and overwhelmed to have won.

"There are so many people who got us to this point to day, this win is theirs as much as ours," she said.

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Planes sit on the runway at John F. Kennedy International Airport on June 5, 2017. GETTY IMAGES

A ONE-SEAT RIDE TO KENNEDY AIRPORT?

Transportation history has a habit of repeating itself, and it will probably do so again with this latest round of proposals.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo in his 2017 State of the State speech joined former MTA Chairman Tom Prendergast and the Regional Plan Association in calling for a one-seat ride on public transportation for those traveling to and from Kennedy Airport. This idea is nothing new and has been periodically studied before going back to the 1960s.

In 1999, the Regional Plan Association proposed a new subway service route. It would have operated from Manhattan on to Brooklyn via the Montague Street Tunnel (currently used by the R line) and on to Jamaica via the LIRR Atlantic Branch (Flatbush Avenue Brooklyn to Jamaica which would have to be converted to subway usage ending commuter rail) and on to Kennedy Airport via the Air Train. This idea was never supported by most elected officials or the MTA.

Former Gov. George Pataki was also big advocate for a one-seat ride from the World Trade Center to Kennedy Airport, promoting some of the same concepts as RPA back in the 1990s. In 2004, the MTA. Port Authority of NY & NJ, Lower Manhattan Development Corporation and New York City Economic Development Corporation at the request of Gov. Pataki completed a study which looked at several of the same five options proposed by RPA in 2017. These ideas were also never really supported by most elected officials or the MTA.

Transportation history has a habit of repeating itself, and will probably do so again with this latest round of RPA proposals. Each generation of elected officials, transportation planners and transportation agencies frequently recycles the same old concepts which never see the light of day.

It is a safe bet that there never has been and or will be a real one-seat ride. Creating a one-seat ride from Penn Station to JFK by extending either the LIRR using Air Train tracks or extending the Air Train using LIRR tracks will not work. LIRR are Air Train equipment are not compatible. The only exception is one-stop express shuttle bus services from either Grand Central Terminal, Penn Station or World Trade Center directly to Kennedy Airport. These existing services could be expanded with additional operating and capital subsidies to the current private bus operator.

Everyone misses the most obvious option, which exists today. Kennedy Airport travelers in the know, including many from other states and nations, transfer from the A train at Howard Beach to the Air Train. The A train provides excellent connections to downtown Brooklyn, Wall Street, Penn Station and Port Authority 42nd Street bus terminal.

Many are too young to remember that up until the 1970s, NYC Transit extended E line service, which ran express in Brooklyn, providing supplemental service to the A line during rush hours to the Rockaways. This included a stop at Howard Beach prior to construction of the Air Train. Why not bring back this service? There is existing subway capacity and equipment to increase the frequency of service on the A line off peak, evenings, overnight and on weekends. This might make it more attractive to both existing subway riders and Kennedy Airport customers. Rockaway riders would benefit by shorter waits between trains.

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Analysis

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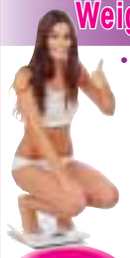

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Envoy: Trump to 'slap' foes, embrace friends in first UN speech

President Trump arrives on Marine One in New York on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

Briefing reporters ahead of the annual U.N. meeting, Haley and White House national security adviser H.R. McMaster took a tough line on North Korea, warning that a military option to deal with its nuclear threats was available.

President Donald Trump will pummel foes and embrace friends in his first speech to the United Nations General Assembly next week, keeping pressure on Washington's adversaries North Korea and Iran, U.S. Ambassador Nikki Haley said on Friday.

Trump will meet with leaders from Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America throughout the week, but his remarks, scheduled for Tuesday morning, will be the president's highest profile opportunity to explain his foreign policy vision couched in his "America first" agenda.

"I personally think he slaps the right people, he hugs the right people, and he comes out with [the] U.S. being very strong, in the end," Haley, speaking at the White House, said of Trump's speech.

Haley declined to say whether Trump would commit Washington to maintaining its current level of funding for the 193-nation body. Trump has complained that the United States funds 22 percent of the U.N. budget and nearly 30 percent of U.N. peacekeeping duties.

Trump will kick off the week with a meeting about U.N. reform on Monday. He will then have meetings with French President Emmanuel Macron and Israeli Prime Minister Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu that will focus on Iran, McMaster said. Trump has dinner scheduled with Latin American leaders.

On Tuesday, he will meet Qatar's emir, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani. Trump said last week he would be willing to mediate the worst dispute in decades between Qatar and U.S.-allied Arab states.

On Wednesday, he will meet with leaders from Jordan, the Palestinian Authority, Britain and Egypt and on Thursday there are talks scheduled with leaders from Turkey, Afghanistan and Ukraine before holding a lunch with the leaders of South Korea and Japan.

McMaster said it was unlikely that Trump would speak to Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro, whom the White House has sanctioned and called a dictator. REUTERS

POLITICS

Cohen, close Trump business adviser, to testify in Senate on Tuesday

Michael Cohen, one of President Donald Trump's closest business advisers, said on Sunday he would testify on Tuesday to the U.S. Senate Intelligence Committee, as the panel investigates alleged Russian interference in the 2016 U.S. election.

The timing of Cohen's testimony was first reported by NBC. Cohen confirmed that he would testify to the committee on Tuesday and said he did not know whether it would be in a closed session or public.

Aides to the committee's leaders did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Cohen said previously he had received a subpoena from at least one of the congressional committees investigating what U.S. intelligence has determined were Russia's efforts to influence the election on Trump's behalf, and whether Trump associates colluded with Russia.

Michael Cohen GETTY IMAGES

Russia denies such activity. The White House denies any collusion, but concerns about the issue and Trump's ties to Russia have shadowed the first months of the Republican's presidency.

Cohen, a personal attorney to Trump, would be one of a series of close associates of the president to testify in Congress. Members of both the Senate and House of Representatives committees conducting investigations have said they expect to call more.

Trump's oldest son, Donald Trump Jr., testified to the Senate Judiciary Committee earlier this month. REUTERS

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Sexy 10 Scientologists

Haven't you heard? Scientology is sexy! JK, it's a cult.
The controversial religion has been dogged by rumors of abuse and strange practices, with the documentary "Going Clear" and docu-series "Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath" giving the world a clearer view about what exactly is going on with L. Ron Hubbard's followers. It doesn't look great.
Still, there are tons of people, especially celebrities, that are proud Scientologists, or have at least dabbled in the religion. Here, we're listing the 10 hottest Scientologists — from the confirmed, to the rumored, to the ones who left the church. And no, Tom Cruise is not listed. **RACHAEL VAUGHAN CLEMMONS**

Elisabeth Moss

The star of "The Handmaid's Tale" recently defended her religion against a commenter on Instagram who compared Scientology to the horrible world of Gilead. She was really nice about it. And she's a hot tamale.

Jeffrey Tambor

The "Transparent" star admitted that he took Scientology classes once, but it's no longer his thing. Also he's an attractive and charming older gentleman.

Laura Prepon

The lady with the very arched eyebrows has said about auditing — Scientology's version of therapy — "I've become more me. The auditing has stripped away all of this charge, false ideas, decisions and misemotions that were affecting me." Hot stuff.

John Travolta

Travolta has been described as "Scientology's captive," which is not chill. The church supposedly has damaging information about him that Travolta doesn't exactly want to get out. Also, he was pretty hot way back, in "Grease!"

Lisa Marie Presley

Presley left Scientology in May 2012, and maybe wrote a diss track about the church on her third album, "Storm and Grace." But hey, she looks good.

Will Smith

Smith has been rumored to be a part of the church for like, ever — and you have to admit, it wouldn't be too much of a surprise. Nonetheless, a former Scientology Senior Executive told the Daily Beast that Will Smith is not, nor has ever been a Scientologist. Good for him.

Katie Holmes

You gotta give it to Suri's mom: She managed to escape Scientology and secretly date Jamie Foxx for a number of years. Success on so many levels.

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Danny Masterson

Not only is the former "That '70s Show" star and current DJ a Scientologist, but he really loves L. Ron Hubbard! "He's a f—king guy who wrote awesome s—t that I love studying." Hmmmm, stretching it just a bit, we suspect.

Juliette Lewis

Lewis has described Scientology as just like, self-care. "It's a religious philosophy and self-help movement. And you'll never see a truthful word written about it in mainstream media." Whatever, but she's gorgeous and a kick-ass singer to boot.

Leah Remini

Remini has been pretty vocal lately about separating from the church. After winning an Emmy for her series, "Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath," she jokingly forgave her mom for getting them into a cult. Stunning and side-splitingly funny as well.

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How Trump affected the end of 'Portlandia'

"The Lego Ninjago Movie" star talks to Metro about the impending conclusion to the sketch show.

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Fred Armisen insists it is the right time to bring the sketch show to an end. IFC

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Next year, the eighth season of "Portlandia" will bring the Peabody Award-winning sketch show to an end. But while the impending conclusion of the series may be distressing for fans, Fred Armisen admits it's the right time — not just because they wanted to show to go out on a high note, but also because of who is in the White House.

"We decided [to end it] because we care about 'Portlandia,' and we care about the quality of it," Armisen explained over the phone. And rather than having the series get stale, Armisen and co-creator Carrie Brownstein decided to end it altogether.

"We also wanted to have a sense of bookends: the beginning of the sketch show and the end of it," he continued. "We care too much about it to do it for whatever reason."

When the topic of Donald Trump came up, Armisen admitted that 45's ascension to the White House affected the writing in the coming season.

"It was really tricky, because every season has only happened under the Obama administration," Armisen explained. He admits, too, that Trump's victory has changed the way he looks at some of the characters. "There are things that we took for granted. We took for granted that a type of character would be annoying or frivolous, and now some of those characters are the ones that I hang on to for dear life."

Still, the "Lego Ninjago Movie" star admits that the coming season of "Portlandia" avoids commenting on Trump directly as a way to preserve the show's shelf-life. "We did a sketch last season called, 'What about men?' Where men were like, 'There's so many specialty groups, so what about us?' That was a look toward whoever these people might be, and that's the closest we came to saying anything direct."

Armisen also revealed that there won't be a big song and dance about the farewell; it will just be focused on being funny. "We try not to make any big final statements with it," Armisen insisted. "We tried to keep it like a sketch show and comedy, just because people watch it out of order. Our main goal is to keep it funny and entertaining and relevant, [so] we stuck to that. It's bittersweet, but it's a normal season."

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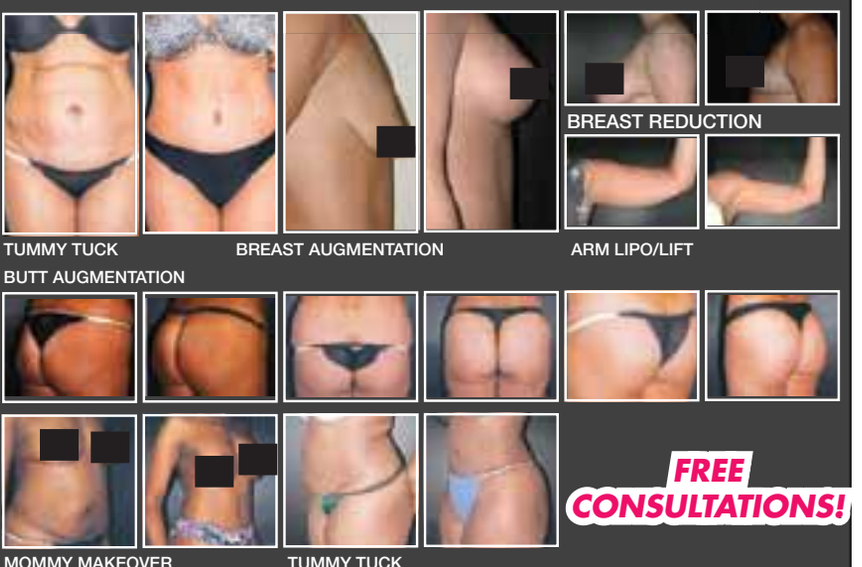

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Why we *love* our bodegas

Metro staffers on why Bodega, the startup, could never replace our beloved local corner stores.

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Last week, news from the tech world drew the ire of New Yorkers citywide. Fast Company reported that a new startup, which is calling itself Bodega, is planning to disrupt our beloved corner mom-and-pops by setting up "5-foot-wide pantry boxes filled with nonperishable items you might pick up at a convenience store." These bogus "Bodegas" have already launched in San Francisco, but co-founder Paul McDonald told Fast Company he plans to distribute them nationwide. His vision: "100,000 Bodegas spread out, with one always 100 feet away from you."

The concept is not only weak — they're basically app-operated vending machines — but hostile to small businesses everywhere, and a particular affront to New York City bodegas. A box containing sundries like tampons and pretzels is no substitute for the experience of strolling into your local corner store at any hour of the day or night for a bacon egg and cheese, or a beer, or a packet of Advil, chatting with your bodega guy, saying what's up to your neighbor, (trying to) pet the bodega cat. Here's what Metro staffers had to say about why they love their bodegas and couldn't live without them.

Joshua Crouthamel, *features editor*
Neighborhood: *Upper West Side*
I don't know my bodega owner's last name, but I trust him with a spare set of my keys! He's the first person to meet any Airbnb guests I may have when out of town and also my go-to when I've locked myself out (note to self: adult better).

Kimberly M. Aquilina, *web reporter*
Neighborhood: *East Flatbush*
When I moved to my new neighborhood, it was after a breakup. My local bodegas, in particular one I like to frequent, made this new section of New York (where I knew no one) a homey neighborhood for me. You get to know the owners, cashiers know what you like when you walk in and nothing — and I mean nothing — beats a bodega bacon egg and cheese after a late night of drinking. Also, when I get home after a long shift and need some grub STAT, I step off the train and into a bodega. No need to wait for Seamless.

Charlotte Frunzescu, *office administrator*
Neighborhood: *Midwood*
The last time I tried to buy a Mega Million ticket with my credit card, my local bodega lent me two bucks in good faith that I'd be back, win or lose.

Sheila Dougherty, *copy editor*
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Bodegas make a hard city human. This [startup] is as awful and soulless as those "dog house" machines.

Nikki M. Mascali, *staff reporter*
Neighborhood: *Harlem*
My family quite possibly would starve without BLTs, smoothies, halal and sausage, egg and cheese bagels from our bodegas — and yes, we frequent three in our Harlem neighborhood. No other establishments in this city greet us as warmly at the store or our door, probably because they're practically family now.

Bodegas are a beacon on dark city street.
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Rachael Vaughan Clemmons, *TV & entertainment editor*
Neighborhood: *Bed-Stuy*
I love my bodega because it gives me everything I need — and plenty of stuff I don't, or that I didn't even know I needed — in one place. A lifetime supply of Mexican Coke? Check. A gooey Philly cheesesteak that is delicious when I'm very inebriated that I will eat as I drift into a boozy, listless sleep? Check. Cold medicine, band aids, incense, and the love of a feline who barely knows me? All checks. It's such a special experience that's built into the culture of New York life. Also, pantries belong in kitchens, duh.

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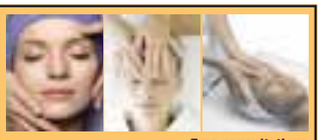
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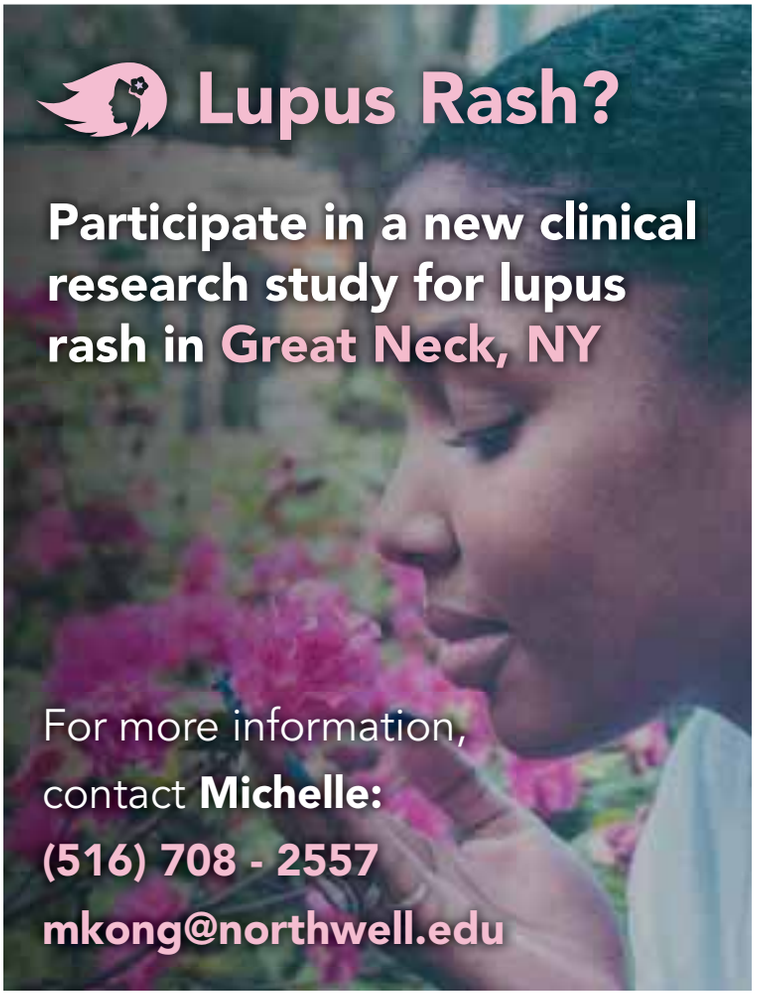
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How to deal with the jerks in your office

Enough is enough.

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Having a bully in your office is like being followed around by a black cloud you can't shake. Every day is filled with the same looming dread that this menace is plotting your professional downfall or out to ruin your day. It's enough to make you want to stay in bed. So what can you do to make your work life more bearable?

According to Bob Sutton, a professor at Stanford University and author of the book "The Asshole Survival Guide," the first step to defending yourself against these jerks is to properly diagnose the threat before picking your battles. We spoke with Sutton to see if he could explain the different types of difficult people you will encounter at work and the best ways to deal with them.

Temporary or certified

First off, making the distinction between a "temporary" and "certified" assholes is incredibly important before planning your next step. We've all had low moments when we've taken our frustrations out on an innocent bystander. So before taking action, you should ask yourself: Is this person having a bad day, or is he or she really this mean? Sutton believes "under the wrong situation, any of us can turn nasty and disrespectful," so make sure you don't write someone off completely after a tiny transgression.

Strategic or clueless

Identifying a "strategic" and "clueless" office evildoer is also crucial as one can be much easier to handle than the other. While those conniving office jerks are never great to deal with, the ones who are "so inwardly focussed and so narcissistic that they're not even aware of it" are the ones you really have to beware of. Because they act this way without thinking first, there is little chance they will change once you confront them.

Sneaky backstabbers

The sneaky co-workers who will stab you in the back or — as Sutton calls them — "grinf*ckers" are some of the most common workplace offenders you will have to deal. These are the co-workers who will paint on a large smile while gaining intel from you in order to muddy your name and reputation as soon as you leave the room.

The petty tyrant

The last office jerk that Sutton identifies is the "petty tyrant." This could be someone in your finance department or human resources who are in total control of something that you need to be taken care of who goes out of his way to make the process as painful as possible for no reason. As Sutton puts it, "There is all sorts of evidence that if you give someone low prestige and some power over you that they will treat you like dirt."

So how can you combat these office bullies as they try to cut you down day in and day out? First and foremost, you should find a different job ASAP. But if you like your job too much to leave, you can always try to distance yourself. Making sure you are sitting within a positive group of co-workers is extremely important. If you are "within 25 feet of a toxic person in the workplace, the chances that you'll become a toxic person will go up substantially and so will the chances of you getting fired for being a toxic person."

So be sure to handle these office jerks the right way before you turn into one yourself.

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Changing the urban workspace

WorkEatPlay's Peter Litvinenko wants you to rethink what an office should be.

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It's an understatement to say that cities lack space. Whether you're crammed into a subway car or paying an arm and a leg for an apartment the size of a shoebox, chances are you understand how claustrophobic they can be.

With this lack of space, real estate is an enormous roadblock for new companies who can't afford spaces or have the time to fight for ample space at digital cafes. This feeling of helplessness is what drove Peter Litvinenko to face this problem in a new way. His company WorkEatPlay partners with unique spaces to rent their seats out to people looking for places to work during the day. This is great not only for workers, but also for businesses that may have a hard time getting customers in during normal 9 to 5 business hours.

Litvinenko recalls the idea came to him in a moment of frustration. "It was like an episode of 'Curb Your Enthusiasm,'" he remembers as he and a few of his colleagues piled into a cramped corner of a West Village coffee shop in order to get some work done. With a faint WiFi signal and no access to outlets for their laptops, they were getting absolutely nowhere. That's when Litvinenko had a brilliant idea: Why not try the empty restaurant across the street? They walked in and asked if it would be all right to work there for the day and in exchange promised to order coffee and possibly some lunch. And from there, WorkEatPlay was born.

With WorkEatPlay, you can claim a seat in a participating venue, which Litvinenko and his team will ensure is fully outfitted with fast WiFi, power outlets and free coffee and tea for those who use the service.

So far, WorkEatPlay has partnered with such NYC mainstays as McCarren Hotel & Pool, The Chester, Library of Distilled Spirits, Bolton & Watt, San Remo and even Montauk, Long Island's Surf Lodge to bring a new work experience to its customers. And because the company only partners with the best of the best, Litvinenko sees this service as a chance for people to broaden their horizons. "We tend to sit in the same exact seat eight hours a day, five days a week," he explains. "To be able to give people variety, incredible lunch menus to try everyday and the chances to meet new people is great."

Litvinenko has worked in the service industry and believes it is his company's duty to lend a hand to shops in need of support during the slow times. "For someone who has come from working in hospitality, you really feel for some of these businesses," he says, but understands the leg up this will provide those trying to make it in the business world with limited resources. "Real estate is the biggest factor in a company's success," he says. "As a young entrepreneur, being able to have your team work together and to afford a WeWork is really hard but really important." By positioning it as a win-win relationship between professionals and venues, Litvinenko hopes WorkEatPlay's concept catching on in cities across the country.

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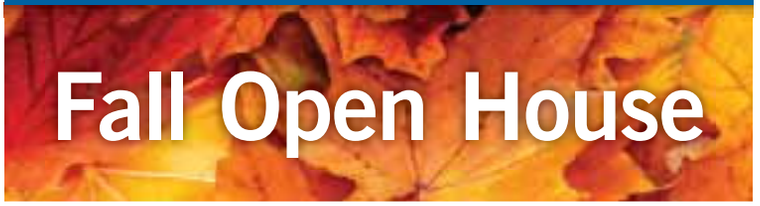

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Jets devoured by the black hole

Raiders blow out Jets in Oakland after well-rounded beatdown.

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An overwhelming, consistent display carried the Oakland Raiders to a 45-20 blowout victory over the New York Jets on Sunday afternoon in the Bay Area.

Raiders wide receiver Michael Crabtree scored three touchdowns in a single game for the second time in his career while Oakland's running game rushed for a combined 180 yards. The Raiders outgained New York, 410-271, on the day while putting up 21 points in the first half and another 24 in the second.

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The Jets saw new pass catcher Jermaine Kearse put up a pair of touchdowns in the loss, but that was the only positive the team could possibly take.

However, an easy Raiders win was expected considering the Jets were two-touchdown underdogs heading into Oakland.

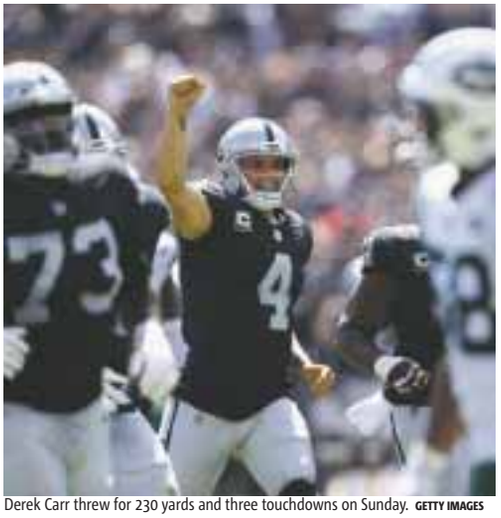
And within 10 minutes, they were trailing after the Raiders rumbled 81 yards to open the scoring. Quarterback Derek Carr hit Crabtree on a two-yard fade in the left corner of the end zone to put the game's first points on the board.

Just like in Week 1 against the Buffalo Bills, the Jets could generate little during the first quarter as they were outgained 111-21, which made trailing 7-0 seem like a small victory.

But the advantage grew a bit larger two minutes into the second quarter when Crabtree picked up his second touchdown of the afternoon, a 26-yard lob from Carr.

Remarkably, the Jets found an answer on the ensuing drive in a rare display of offensive aggression downfield when McCown hit Kearse with a 34-yard touchdown strike to halve New York's deficit.

They drew even closer with three minutes left in the half after Chandler Catanzaro knocked home a 46-yard field goal. It was a pair of penalties and the run game fueled by Matt Forte that helped get the Jets into field-goal range. The veteran back recorded 29 yards on the single drive, a stark improvement from the 38 yards the Jets' running game put up as an entire team in Week 1 against the Bills.



Derek Carr threw for 230 yards and three touchdowns on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

The Jets looked to further gain momentum at the end of the half when the defense forced a quick Oakland three-and-out. However, they came crashing back down to earth on the ensuing punt when Kalif Raymond was unable to catch it, gifting the Raiders possession on the four-yard line with 1:50 left.

Three plays later, Marshawn Lynch plowed his way to his first touchdown of the season and his first since November of 2015 with 21 seconds left to give Oakland a 21-10 lead, demoralizing the Jets heading into the locker room.

After the Jets managed to tack on another field goal, Cordarrelle Patterson broke the game open for the Raiders when he took a draw play 43 yards up the middle to put the hosts up 15 in the third quarter. Jalen Richard sliced the Jets open yet again early in the fourth quarter when he took a pitch from Carr 52 yards untouched.

It only got worse.

McCown fumbled away the ball when he was sacked by cornerback Karl Joseph deep in Jets territory. After a pass interference penalty put the ball on the 1-yard line, Crabtree nabbed his third touchdown of the day, making Kearse's second score of the afternoon irrelevant.

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We can talk about this until we're blue in the face, but the New York Giants' offensive line was utterly atrocious during Week 1 against the Dallas Cowboys.

Quarterback Eli Manning was sacked three times on the night and given virtually zero time in the pocket to find his receivers.

The rushing game fared even worse as it could only put up 35 total yards.

If there is any semblance of Week 1 remaining with the line, it's going to be another long night during the home opener.

Beckham watch

The absence of star wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. certainly didn't help the Giants offense get off on the right foot.

Nursing a high ankle sprain suffered, Beckham has made significant strides this week to get back on the field.

He practiced with the team for the first time in a month on Thursday and the Giants were optimistic that he would play.

Given his speed and agility, Beckham would be invaluable out of the slot to give Manning a quick target to throw toward if the offensive line constantly disintegrates.

His ability to break open a short pass would at least give the Lions defense something to keep an eye on rather than sending constant pressure at Manning.

WEEK 2

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Take out the middle

Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford got off to a good start under his new five-year, $135 million contract as he passed for four touchdowns against the Arizona Cardinals.

He'll receive his first real test of the season against a Giants secondary that performed admirably while battling fatigue against the Cowboys.

New York's main priority should be forcing Stafford to use the sidelines while passing.

Last year, he had a 130.8 quarterback rating on passes 20 yards or more down the middle. That was almost 53 points higher than the league average.

Much of that stems from the versatile Golden Tate, who put up 107 yards in Detroit's opener last week. Stafford also has a new target in rookie Kenny Golladay, who scored twice in his NFL debut last week. One of those touchdowns was a 45-yard diving catch from a Stafford bomb down the middle. JOE PANTORNO

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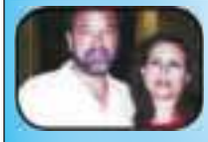

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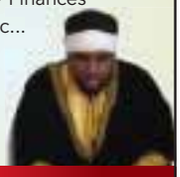

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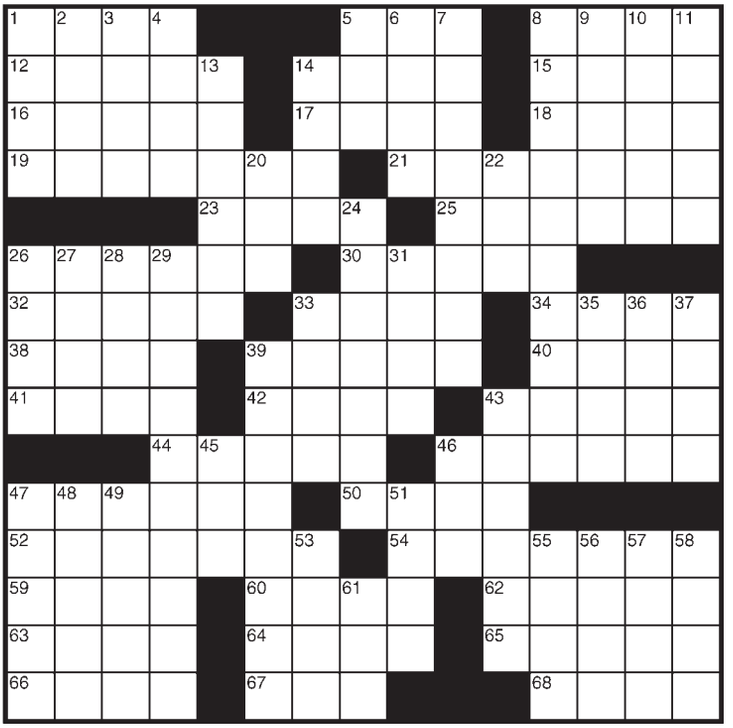

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Aries Look for a way to improve your mental and physical health. Get involved in something that will encourage you to build strength.

Taurus Interact with people from different backgrounds. Travel or educational pursuits will open your mind to new things. Discussions will inspire you to be romantic.

Gemini A change at home will reflect how you deal with children or handle your friendships. Aggressive behavior will not and should not be tolerated from young or old alike.

Cancer You can make positive alterations at home without going into debt. Look at what you have to work with and make your surroundings comfortable.

Leo Do whatever it takes to improve your health and appearance. Discipline, fitness and a proper diet will produce a good frame of mind that will help you excel.

Virgo Go where the action is and put your mark on whatever you do. Paying attention to detail and going over and above what's expected of you will pay off.

Libra Reconnect with someone you have worked with in the past to discover an opportunity that will send you in an unexpected but fruitful direction.

Scorpio Put more thought into your work or changes you want to make at home. Let your creative imagination take charge and see what transpires.

Sagittarius Look inward and consider what you can do to enhance your looks, attitude or lifestyle. Personal changes should be made for your benefit, not to please a certain critic.

Capricorn Smart choices will be made if you are conservative when handling financial matters. Excessive behavior will have an impact on your physical and emotional health.

Aquarius Thrive on change. Do your best to size up whatever situation you face, and make a focused effort to improve matters. Romance is on the rise.

Pisces Relationships will change if you open up about your feelings and plans. Dealing with a make-or-break situation will lead to less stress. EUGENIA LAST

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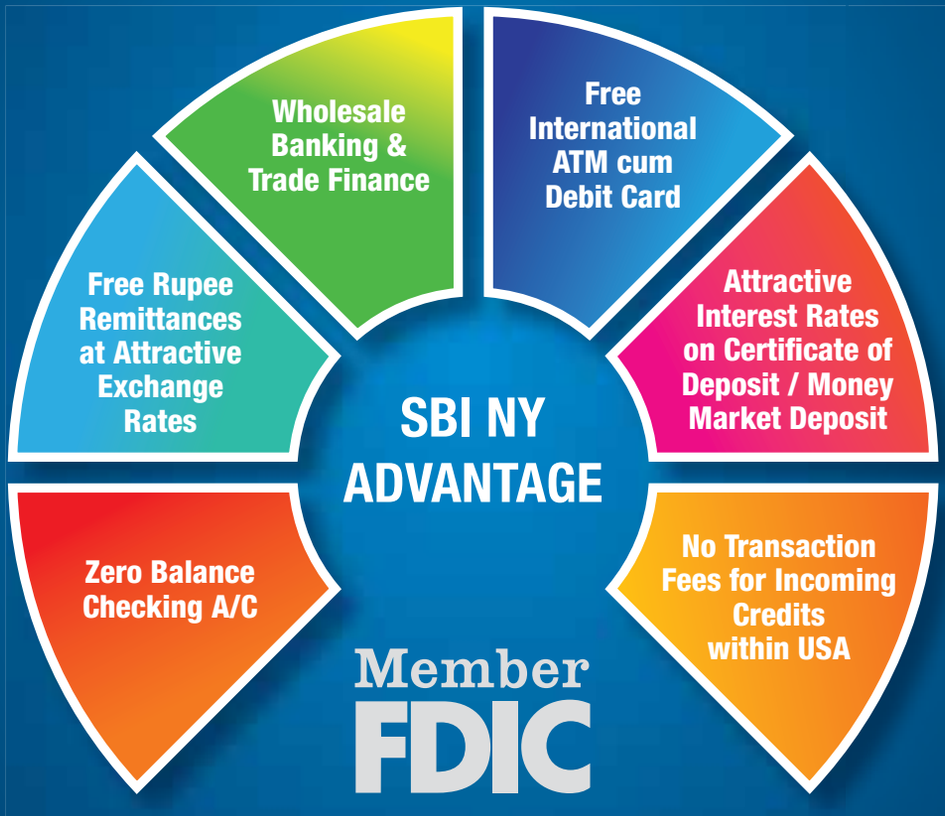
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